

his face. He utterly failed to accomplish what he endeavored to do. He was an utter failure in it. He had to drop out of that particular organization. And the sad thing was that then he failed to go on and to endeavor to serve the Lord. Last I heard he was in secular activity; incidentally on the side making a real witness for Christ. He was a fine Christian fellow. But he had the abilities to accomplish for the Lord, but tried to go ahead faster than he was capable of in ~~that~~ exercising influence on matters that were not primary.

You see how easy it is to make the one error or to make the ~~of~~ other error. And I have felt often that that is a great danger that young fellows have -- getting into the Lord's work. Get in; take advantage of the opportunities; ^{speaking} ~~speaking~~ for God; do what you can. But don't try to change other's too quickly. Don't be too sure that the understanding you have of somethings is necessarily better than that of others who have been dealing with the same problems for many years.

Now of course the way they are doing it may not be the result of their grappling with the problems. It may be the habit established long ago. It may be some fool idea carried on like our electoral college in the U.S. That was not a fool idea when it began; it was a wonderful idea. The founders of the Constitution had a grand system in which instead of millions of people seeing ~~if~~ whether they liked a man's personality, or the way he speaks and so on, would elect people whom they knew and in whom they had confidence, who would get together and consider all the qualities ~~they~~ necessary for a good president and would make a decision. It was a wonderful idea. But the trouble was, it wouldn't work. And within a period of 10 yrs, it became obvious it wasn't working and the electoral college instead of doing anything like what the founders of the Constitution intended because ~~merely~~ merely a rubber stamp for standing for the man whom individual felt they were voting for, rather than for members of the electoral college. It became an absolutely foolish thing which confused things instead of clarifying them, and yet for nearly 200 years it has been carried on. And it still today is -- occasionally you'll have a man who gets a minority of the popular vote but gets a majority in the electoral college. It is an utterly foolish thing as it ~~devel~~ developed though it was a very sensible thing as it was planned. But our people did not have sense enough after 15 years when they saw that wasn't working to change it. Nor did they 50 yrs. ~~later~~, later, nor 100 yrs. later,